Christendom and compared with that it was, To the sailor of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries it seemed more—a Paradisical wedding feast to which one could enter without a wedding garment. Again, alas, it was. And to the Cal~vinist everything about it had to be devilish, or else his fundamental doctrine of the entire depravity and condemnation of the world would have gone by the board. There has been no greater tragedy in the history of our civilisation.

The graves of two devoted missionaries lie overgrown and hidden among the tangled grass and foreign weeds on the edge ,of the bush at Arue. Standing near them there ** peep from among the rich foliage " of the once populous bay of Matavai the following buildings in irregular order: a lighthouse, the hut of a half-caste afflicted with elephantiasis, a Chinese store, the

charming bungalow of a European who allows us to enjoy the wonderful surf and the use of his bathing-room and shower, a Protestant temple and the grave of the last Polynesian king, Pomare V. Otherwise it is still what Mr. Ellis found it: a beautiful open bay, screened from the prevailing trade winds